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SECRETPROPOSED DCIPRODUCTION OF INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATESIN CRISIS SITUATIONS

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 (a) (3) of NSC 50, NSCID No. 3, and supplementing DCI 3/1, in order to produce national intelligence estimates with the greatest efficiency to meet the demands of a crisis situation, the following policies and procedures are established:-

1. A Crisis Situation is created by certain circumstances symptomatic of the probability that an event or events will happen in the immediate future of grave consequence to the security of the nation, and, as such, demands immediate attention and decision by the President or the National Security Council.

2. Since the Director of Central Intelligence is responsible for the production and dissemination of national intelligence estimates, in all situations, when any member of the Intelligence Advisory Committee receives, from any source, information indicating or constituting a crisis situation, he will transmit this information at once to the Director of Central Intelligence calling attention to the critical nature of the information.

3. The Director of Central Intelligence and the Intelligence Chiefs of the Departments of State, Army, Navy and Air will establish and maintain 24-hour duty stations for the above stated purposes.

4. The DCI, immediately upon receipt of information concerning a crisis situation will inform all affected elements of the Government, when he deems such action necessary, inviting attention to the critical nature

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of the information, and will immediately prepare and disseminate a provisional estimate of the crisis situation.

5. Immediately subsequent to dissemination of the provisional estimate, the W/OI will convene the IAC to discuss the estimate in order to determine whether or not it requires alterations or amendments in view of additional considerations.

6. The IAC members shall bring with them to the meeting any persons from their agencies whose technical competence is deemed essential to an adequate consideration of the problem.

7. The Director of Central Intelligence, as Chairman of the IAC, will receive the views, comments, and reactions of the IAC members on the provisional estimate of the crisis situation and will prepare the final document in finished form for immediate distribution to the recipients of the provisional estimate, and to such other recipients as he deems appropriate.

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